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**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
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Catherine Apsar,
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will be despatched for
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
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(Calling at COLOMBO, if sufficient
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The Steamship
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FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

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be despatched as above c-
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LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
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The Co.'s Steamship

W. N. S. ALGER, Com-
mander, will be de-
parted as above on THURSDAY, 21st instant.

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FOR LONDON VIA PORTS OF CALL.
The Co.'s Steamship
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D. DAVIES, Command-
er, will be despatched
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Hongkong, January 14, 1893.

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FOR HONOLULU.
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CRICKET MATCH.—Navy, 84; Club, 100 for three wickets (A. J. Leach, 54).

THE D. D. R. s.s. *Salatiga*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port to-day.

THE M. M. Co.'s s. s. *Saghalien*, with the next French mail, left Singapore at 5 p.m. yesterday, for this port.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Lombardy* left Singapore for this port on the 13th inst. at 6 a.m.—The same Company's s. s. *Mariti* left Bombay for this port yesterday morning.

A CHINESE carpenter was to-day sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment for robbing a steamer.

ment for attempting to smuggle a parcel of tobacco into Victoria Gaol this morning.

It is stated that no less than eight deaths occurred amongst the Chinese in consequence of the recent severely cold weather. The steamer *Arochic*, which arrived from

Hongay last night, reports having experienced a strong gale in the Tonquin Gulf and having to heave to for 48 hours. The gale was accompanied by blinding showers of sleet and snow, and this was the cause of the delay more than the disturbed state of

THE *N. C. Daily News* understands that the total value of the property destroyed in the Hogan Road Fire on the 8th does not exceed \$120,000, which includes the buildings consumed and their contents.

The *N.-O. Daily News* of the 16th inst. says:—Yesterday, according to the observations at Sicawei, was the coldest day for fifteen years. The minimum was 13° Fahr., and the mean at Sicawei on Saturday was 21.°2. The minimum in the settlements yesterday was 14°, and the maximum—although

the sun was out—20°.5, making the mean in the settlement only 17°.25. Yesterday people's breath froze on their beards and moustaches. In consequence of the sharp change in the weather, there was plenty of ice, though the wind was almost too keen, and the members of the skating club had plenty of amusement on ponds where the ice was some inches thick.

WE learn, says the *N. C. Daily News*, that telegrams have been received here announcing the reconstitution of the Steamer Conference, a step which has been forced on the shipowners at home by the ruinous rates to which freights have lately fallen. Six companies participate in it; the P & O, Holt's line, the National the

Glens, the Bens, and the Shires; and we presume that it is not intended to raise the rates to a prohibitive level, but only to put them on a fair living basis. The French and German mail lines are prohibited from joining in any such agreement, on the ground that they are subsidised by their respective Governments. In such a case

respectively governments. It has been judicially decided that a Conference is not an illegal combination, and steamers have been doing so badly of late, that there is not likely to be any deep objection here now to their combining to establish fair rates.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.
Gentlemen willing to take an active part in the formation of the proposed Volunteer force are invited to put themselves in communication with the Recruiting Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor at the Public Meeting held at the City Hall

on the 19th December last.

The Members of the Committee are:—
J. J. FRANCIS, Esq., Q. C., Chairman.
The Honourable J. H. STEWART LOCKHART.
Lieut.-Colonel J. FERRARD.
Captain MCCALLUM, R.K.V.
J. ARMSTRONG, Esq.,
who will be found at their offices daily

The force will be on the same footing as are Volunteers in England; that is to say

They are liable in case of war to be called up for active service and will then be under military command and subject to military law, receiving the same pay as regularly enlisted soldiers, and being entitled to pensions for wounds, &c., &c. They will not be required to serve out of

the Colony and will be led by their own Officers. In peace time, they are at liberty to leave at any time on 14 days' notice; will only be under military command when voluntarily exercising or on duty together with the regular troops; will be subject to such regulations as to drill, discipline, and office only as His Excellency the Governor

The Government will defray all expenses of the Corps other than the cost of uniforms of Commissioned Officers.

It is suggested that friends and acquaintances should combine to form a gun detachment of 12 men, or a half company (dr

The Officers of the Battery when complete will consist of 1 Captain and 3 Lieutenants and those of each company of 1 Captain and 2 Lieutenants. Such Officers to be elected by their own men, the Lieutenants by the half companies or sections.

The uniform of the Field Battery will remain as at present; that of the machine gun companies will be a matter for future consideration, a working dress only being provided for the ensuing drill season.

One month in the year (the month of March being at present proposed) will be set apart for the annual training when drills will take place twice a day. Volunteers will also be expected to attend at least one parade monthly during the rest of the year. The minimum number of attendances and

other requirements to obtain a franchise to be deemed eligible will be hereafter fixed by the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the Major General.

Gentlemen are reminded that the proposal for obtaining a vote of the Legislative Council for funds to establish and maintain the corps is conditional on the enrolment

of not less than 120 Volunteers by the 31st
of January instant, and the Committee
hope, for the credit of the Colony, that this
number will be largely exceeded.

JNO. J. FRANCOIS.
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